

# About the Lunar Sample Disk

## Legacy of Apollo

The collection of rocks and regolith from the Moon is a tangible legacy of the U.S. Apollo Space Program. NASA makes a small portion of this “extraterrestrial” material available for classroom use through the Lunar Sample Loan Program.

## Lunar Sample Loan Program

Six samples of rocks and regolith are embedded in a 15-cm diameter plastic disk. Disks are sent via registered mail to educators for one- to two-week loan periods. The package also includes this book *Exploring the Moon*, an annotated slide set of lunar images (described more fully on Page v), and a collection of color photographs and descriptions of the six samples.

## How to Schedule a Disk

Educators must first be certified to borrow lunar material by attending a training seminar on security requirements and proper handling procedures. This is the same certification as for borrowing the Meteorite Sample Disk. Then a written request must be sent to a NASA Educator Resource Center at least one month prior to the requested loan date. Contact the NASA Educator Resource Center that serves your geographic area for more information on certification seminars and request procedures (refer to Page 146 of this book for addresses and phone numbers.)



Ninth grade science students from Waipahu High School, Hawai'i view the Lunar Sample Disk as part of an activity from *Exploring the Moon*.